

CONTRACTORS

The Leading Contractors and Engineers of Chicago and the Work They Are Doing

The Sanitary District of Chicago awarded the \$2,000,000 4 per cent interest-bearing coupon bonds to N. W. Halsey & Co. and to the National City Bank of New York on their joint bid of 99.78.

Bonds are in denominations of \$1,000 each and bear the date of December 1, 1915. Two hundred thousand dollars of the principal of said bonds is payable December 1, 1917, and \$100,000 on December 1 of each succeeding year up to and including the year 1935.

Bids also were received from E. H. Rollins & Sons, William A. Read & Co., Curtis & Sanger, Union Trust Company and the Chicago Savings Bank & Trust Company, jointly, 99.52; Lee Higginson & Co., Kissel, Kinlaid & Co., and Illinois Trust & Savings Bank, 99.412; William R. Compton & Co., 99.41; Merchants' Loan & Trust Company, Continental & Commercial Trust & Savings Bank, Northern Trust Company and Central Trust Company, 99.31; R. M. Grand & Co., Elston Clifford & Co., 99.283; Harris Trust & Savings Bank and First Trust & Savings Bank, 99.27; Follansbee & Co. bid on only \$500,000 at 99.275.

George W. de Smet, the well known manufacturer of de Smet Quartz and Carbo Tile, in the Chamber of Commerce building, has won a great reputation in the building world for the efficiency of his water proof and damp proof compounds, cement coatings and Portland cement in all colors.

Electrical operation of the new union station now under construction, the electrification of the North Western terminal, and the use of electrical motive power in a new Illinois Central terminal, which will accommodate all roads not using the North Western or Union stations, may follow the issuance of the report just completed by the Association of Commerce Commission on smoke abatement.

The Garden City Sand Company of Chicago, of which C. B. Shepler is president, and N. C. Fisher secretary and treasurer, is one of the solid concerns of the country. Its reliability and efficiency have been proven wherever tried.

The Chicago Automobile Club is to hold an amateurs' contest on the Chicago speedway in May. Entrants to qualify must actually own their own cars and drive a test lap at the rate of fifty-five miles an hour.

William H. Lyman, the popular former senator and alderman, is at the

head of the big public contracting firm of W. H. Lyman & Co.

Byrne Brothers' Dredging and Engineering Company win praise because of their reasonable figures and splendid work.

The Illinois Improvement and Ballast Company furnishes the best slag on the market.

Edmund M. Allen, one of the best liked and most widely known men in Illinois, who made a splendid record as Warden of the State Penitentiary and as Mayor of Joliet, has accepted the presidency of the big D. A. Stuart & Co. Corporation. This company deals in high-grade lubricating oils and greases. Its Frost King Motor Oil will give pep to your motor.

The Beaver Electric Construction Company of 30 North La Salle street stands high among the contracting engineers of the country. The work of this company and its engineers is praised everywhere.

Marshall & Huchart deserve the good reputation of their municipal shop and manual training school work. They are at the top.

Richard M. Hennessey, the well known building contractor, has an honored record for ability and efficiency.

A. Cherney, the well known teaming contractor of 130 East Grand avenue, is much talked of for County Commissioner.

The Ohio Sandstone Company has a deservedly high reputation for its building stone and stone curbing.

All plants of the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Company, manufacturers of Little Giant trucks, are working at full capacity, according to W. O. Duntley, president of the concern. At the rate orders are coming in factory additions will have to be made in the near future.

The Klemp-Simpson Company excel in iron and steel construction.

Harry Newman, of whom we have heard, if you haven't, was given a banquet at Milwaukee, according to newspaper reports, at which several public officials were present. Why are the public officials here so backward about banqueting Harry Newman?



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The "Edelweiss" is a justly famous cigar. A box of them makes a fine present.

For holiday ice creams, John T. Cunningham of 2235 West Van Buren street, is the favorite of thousands of people.

Judge William E. Dever is making a good record in the Superior Court.

MUNICIPAL NEWS

Some Items of Interest From the Public Offices About Occurrences of the Week.

The City Council at its last meeting.

Adopted report recommending removal of two civil service commissioners and an investigation of their acts by the State's Attorney.

Adopted two reports recommending discharge of Boiler Inspector George E. Nye and his prosecution by State's Attorney.

Received proposal from gas company for an amicable adjustment of gas rates and pending litigation.

Confirmed appointments of Edward J. Pigott, Charles Ffrench and Charles R. Young as members of the Board of Education.

The special trial board considering charges against Walter Leininger, Thomas L. Dooley and James H. LaVelle, deposed heads of the bureau of streets continued its investigation by summoning traction officials to the hearing in the city council chambers.

Frank L. Hupp, secretary of the Chicago Railway company; F. E. Smith, former general auditor, and J. Z. Murphy, electrical engineer of the Chicago Surface Lines, were the officials called to testify. They were ordered to bring checks and records

by which Assistant Corporation Counsel J. W. Breen hoped to show that thousands of dollars had been made in paving graft for which, it is charged, the officials on trial are responsible.

William A. Kenebeck, a paving contractor, would appear prominently in the testimony, it was said. Contractors received and used city material in repairing street car rights of way, and city employees assisted their men without recompense to the city, according to the charges.

Five witnesses so far, negro asphalt rakers, testified that they worked on private property laying pavement with city materials, and that they assisted Kenebeck's men in paving between street car tracks.

They also told how they were solicited for campaign contributions. Each man making more than \$3 a day was asked to contribute \$5, they asserted. Some of them refused to pay. They testified that later they had been separated from the city's pay roll. The five negro witnesses were Henry McEwen, John Wade, Thomas Jefferson, Bert Anthony and Walter R. Grant.

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